

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A ~~L~~ongitudinal guiding element for a motor vehicle seat with
- two guide elements extended in the seat longitudinal direction and
  - a guiding device by ~~means of~~ which the one guide element can be displaced in the seat longitudinal direction relative to the other guide element

whereby the guiding device comprises two sliding guides mounted one behind the other in the seat longitudinal direction and each have a guiding slide and a guiding pin guided in the guiding slide,

~~characterised in that~~ wherein

the first sliding guide (3,4) is formed by a guiding slide (3) provided on the one rail (1) and a guiding pin (4) provided on the other rail (2) and that the second sliding guide (5,6) is formed by a guiding pin (5) provided on the one rail (1) and a guiding slide (6) provided on the other rail (2).

2. (Currently amended) The ~~L~~ongitudinal guiding element for a seat according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the two guide elements (1,2) are displaceable relative to each other in the seat longitudinal direction (~~\*~~) between a first and a second end position.

3. (Currently amended) The ~~L~~ongitudinal guiding element for a seat according to claim 1 or 2, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the two guiding slides (3,6) each extend between a front stop (31,61) in the rail longitudinal direction (~~\*~~) and a rear stop (32,62) in the rail longitudinal direction (~~\*~~) whereby the stops (31,32); (61,62) restrict the movement of the guiding pins (4,5) in the guiding slides (3,6).

4. (Currently amended) The ~~L~~ongitudinal guiding element for a seat according to claim 2 and 3, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein in the one end position of the two guide elements (1,2) the

guiding pin (4) of the front sliding guide (3,4) in the rail longitudinal direction (x) bears against the front stop (31) of the guiding slide (3) and the guide pin (5) of the rear sliding guide (5,6) in the rail longitudinal direction (x) bears against the rear stop (62) of the guiding slide (6).

5. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to claim 2 ~~and 3, characterised in that~~ wherein in the other end position of the two guide elements (1,2) the guiding pin (3) of the front sliding guide (3,4) in the seat longitudinal direction (x) bears against the rear stop (32) of the guiding slide (3) and the guiding pin (5) of the rear sliding guide (5,6) in the seat longitudinal direction (x) bears against the front stop (61) of the guiding slide (6).

6. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to claim 4 ~~and 5, characterised in that~~ wherein the one end position of the guide elements (1,2) corresponds to a useful position of the seat in which this is provided for use by a vehicle passenger, and that the other end position of the guide elements (1,2) corresponds to a displaced position of the seat in which this is not provided to receive a vehicle occupant.

7. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, ~~characterised that~~ wherein the one guide element (1) is provided to receive an upholstery carrier (W) of a motor vehicle seat and that the other guide element (2) is provided for fixing on a structural assembly fixed on the floor of the motor vehicle.

8. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the two guide elements (1,2) are mounted side by side horizontally across the seat longitudinal direction (x) and form an inner and an outer guide element (1,2).

9. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the two guide elements (1,2) are provided arranged as a pair on the two longitudinal sides of a motor vehicle seat.

10. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to ~~one of~~

~~the preceding claims~~ claim 1, characterised in that wherein a locking device (7) is provided for locking the guide device (3, 4; 5, 6) in at least one seat longitudinal position.

11. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, characterised in that wherein each guide pin (4, 5) is supported in the associated guiding slide (3, 4) along the vertical axis (z) perpendicular to the seat longitudinal direction (x).

12. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, characterised in that wherein each guiding pin (4, 5) is supported at the edge of the associated guiding slide (3, 6) along the horizontal transverse direction (y) perpendicular to the seat longitudinal direction (x).

13. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, characterised in that wherein the two guide elements (1, 2) are supported against one another at the edge of each guiding slide (3, 6) along the horizontal transverse direction (y) perpendicular to the seat longitudinal direction (x).

14. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to ~~one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, characterised in that wherein in each guiding slide (3, 6) there is a slider (8, 9) for supporting one of the relevant guide pin (4, 5) and/or the relevant other guide element (2, 1).

15. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to claim 14, characterised in that wherein each slider (8, 9) has at least one support face (84, 94) for supporting the associated guiding pin (34, 5) in the vertical direction and at least one support face (82, 85; 91, 95) for supporting one of the relevant guiding pin (4, 5) and/or the relevant other guide element (2, 1) in the horizontal direction (y) across the seat longitudinal direction (x).

16. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to claim 15, characterised in that wherein the support faces (82, 84, 85; 91, 94, 95) enable a support in two

oppositely aligned directions along the vertical axis (~~z~~) and a support in two oppositely aligned directions along the horizontal axis (~~y~~) perpendicular to the seat longitudinal direction (~~x~~).

17. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to one of claims 14 to 16, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the sliders (~~8,9~~) are made of plastics.

18. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to ~~one of~~ ~~claims 14 to 17~~ claim 14 ~~characterised in that~~ wherein, the sliders (~~8,9~~) each extend with at least one part of their slide regions (~~80,90~~) in the seat longitudinal direction (~~x~~) only over a part of the extension of the relevant guiding slide (~~3,6~~).

19. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to claim 2, ~~15 and 18, characterised in that~~ wherein in at least one end position, more particularly an end position serving as the useful position of the two guide elements (~~1,2~~) the guide pins (~~4,5~~) are not supported on the relevant slider (~~8,9~~) along the vertical axis (~~z~~).

20. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to claim 4 ~~and or~~ 19, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the guiding pins (~~4,5~~) in the first end position of the guide elements (~~1,2~~) are not supported on the relevant slider (~~8,9~~) along the vertical axis (~~z~~).

21. (Currently amended) The Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to claim 19 ~~or 20, characterised in that~~ wherein each guiding slide (~~3,6~~) tapers in the end section (~~31,62~~) which is free of the slide regions (~~80,90~~) of the relevant slider (~~8,9~~) in order to provide a continuous smooth transition between the slide regions (~~80,90~~) and the relevant end section (~~31,62~~) of the guiding slide (~~3,6~~).

- 22. (Currently amended) ~~Longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to one of the preceding claims, characterised in that~~ A motor vehicle seat having a longitudinal guiding element for the seat comprising;

- two guide elements extended in the seat longitudinal direction and
- a guiding device by which the one guide element can be displaced in the seat longitudinal direction relative to the other guide element

whereby the guiding device comprises two sliding guides mounted one behind the other in the seat longitudinal direction and each have a guiding slide and a guiding pin guided in the guiding slide,

wherein the first sliding guide is formed by a guiding slide provided on the one rail and a guiding pin provided on the other rail and that the second sliding guide is formed by a guiding pin provided on the one rail and a guiding slide provided on the other rail, and

wherein the guide elements (4, 2) and the guiding pins (4, 5) are made of metal.

- 23. (Currently amended) ~~Motor vehicle seat with~~ A motor vehicle seat having a longitudinal guiding element for the seat comprising:

- two guide elements extended in the seat longitudinal direction and

- a guiding device by which the one guide element can be displaced in the seat longitudinal direction relative to the other guide element

whereby the guiding device comprises two sliding guides mounted one behind the other in the seat longitudinal direction and each have a guiding slide and a guiding pin guided in the guiding slide,

wherein the first sliding guide is formed by a guiding slide provided on the one rail and a guiding pin provided on the other rail and that the second sliding guide is formed by a guiding pin provided on the one rail and a guiding slide provided on the other rail, and

further comprising a backrest and

~~with a longitudinal guiding element for a~~ the seat according to one of the preceding claims.

24. (Currently amended) The M~~motor~~ vehicle seat according to claim 23, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ the backrest (R) can be folded from at least one upright position in which it serves to support the back of a vehicle occupant forwards in the direction of the seat underframe of the vehicle seat.

25. (Currently amended) The M~~motor~~ vehicle seat according to claim 24 with a longitudinal guiding element for a seat according to claim 10, ~~characterised in that wherein~~ the locking device (7) is associated with an unlocking element (70) and that the unlocking element (70) is only

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accessible for unlocking the locking device (7) when the backrest (R) is folded forwards.

26. (Currently amended) The ~~M~~motor vehicle seat according to claim 24 or 25 with a longitudinal guiding element for the seat according to claim 6 and 10, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein the backrest (R) is lockable in its forward-folded position and that the backrest (R) can only then be released for raising back up into its upright position when the longitudinal guiding element of the seat is located in the useful position.